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AMENDMENT AND ELECTION

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In response to the Office action of **December 18, 2006**. Applicant's undersigned attorney herewith submits an Amendment and Election. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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